

# FORT PIERCE NEWS

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FORT PIERCE, ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, JANUARY 10, 1908

\$1.00 A YEAR

## County Commissioners Grant New Public Road

### Protest Against New Road to Five Mile Creek Refused.—Other Matters.

County commissioners met in regular session January 6 1908, present C. H. Edwards chairman, J. F. Bell, P. Krueger, J. H. Baker with D. S. Carlton sheriff and J. E. Fultz clerk.

Minutes of last regular meeting, read and approved.

Petition of B. B. Bostick, R. L. Brown et al, praying for a public road to be opened free of cost to the county, the petitioners to also build, at their own expense, a suitable bridge across Five mile creek, said road to commence at the terminus of the county road leading from Jennings Saw mill across Five mile creek, thence running in a southerly direction across Ten mile creek to what is known as the "forked bridge" or Eleven mile, thence west to the intersection of the Fort Drum road, Fort Pierce road at or near Eagle and by the nearest and most practical route, received, and on motion A. W. Hogg, G. A. Powers and Perry Wilson are appointed a committee to survey and mark said road, and report to this board at its next regular meeting.

At the M. E. Church South of Fort Pierce, Fla., has through the Stewards of said church, agree to pay Mrs. Mary each \$5.00 per month, and request further name be taken from the past list, on motion of Commissioner Bell, her name is hereby stricken.

Petition of Thos. S. Drake, W. J. Bell et al, received, and on motion referred to Commissioner Krueger for action.

Letter of Mrs. Theo. Wiethuchter received and filed.

Pension applications of Martin B. Smith and Mrs. Amelio Wright approved.

Bond of W. P. Sloan to own and carry S. & W. revolver, No. 260298 approved, and permits issued for same.

Communication from J. R. Parrott re: Traction engine received.

Bond of Elmer D. Tubbs to own and carry a 32 cal. Marlin repeating rifle, approved and permit issued for same.

Protest of C. C. Flegel, J. S. Keen et al against the opening of proposed new road from the ne corner of L. L. Carlton pasture fence to Five mile creek received, and after investigation, it is the opinion of this board that a majority of the petitioners directly interested are in favor of the said proposed road, and as the distance between Fort Pierce and Five mile grade will be lessened by said proposed new road, it is resolved by this board that said protest be refused.

Report of D. T. McCarty, J. D. Alford and Perry Carlton, recommending a public road, 30 ft wide be established as follows: Commencing at the ne corner of the s w 1/4 of the s e 1/4 of t 35 s, r 40 e; thence run to the ne corner of s w 1/4 of s e 1/4; thence south 88 degrees, west 1 1/2 miles 1 chain 72 links; thence south 88 degrees, west 10 links 73 links to five mile grade, the said distance 2 miles 2 chains and 45 links; said road to intersect with the road lying north of Mrs. E. Carlton's home place to Ten Mile creek; resolved and if no further protest is filed it be declared a public road at next regular meeting of this board.

Protest of C. A. Killer against opening of new road described above, received and filed.

Board adjourned to 8 a. m., Tuesday January 13, 1908, at which time the board made out jury list for the year 1908, and instructed the clerk to write names and deposit in jury box as required by law.

Reports of G. E. Dutton tax collector and J. E. Fultz clerk, received and approved and filed.

Reports of Justices Tyler and Laine, received and filed.

Report of J. H. Baker, Justice of the Peace, received and returned to him for correction.

Report of J. H. Wynn treasurer, received, paid warrants checked up and found correct as per attached certificate of Cashier of Bank of Fort Pierce.

On motion, James A. Russell's taxes for the year 1907, is remitted by order of the board, under the 7th paragraph of the 4th section of Chapter 5596 of the laws of Florida.

The monthly budget of warrants were ordered drawn.

## SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

### The Noon Recess Restored to an Hour in Fort Pierce School.

Board of public instruction met in regular session January 6, 1908, present B. F. Hardesty, W. D. Edwards and R. R. Gladwin with W. J. Nesbitt superintendent and secretary.

Minutes of last meeting read and on motion adopted.

Secretary read letter from I. E. Whitney, supervisor of Jensen and Mars Hill schools tendering his resignation as he could not give the office the attention it deserved and asking to be relieved.

On motion his resignation was accepted and the superintendent was instructed to have notice posted calling a patrons meeting to appoint a successor for Jensen.

It being the wish of the patrons of the Mars Hill school that a colored supervisor be appointed. S. S. Goodbread was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Communication from Lawton F. Geiger was read stating that he had lost his last warrant No. 1116 for \$45.00 and requesting the issue of a duplicate. Superintendent was instructed to notify the bank not to cash said warrant and to issue a duplicate after a reasonable time had elapsed.

Messrs. Jas. E. Andrews and J. E. Fultz presented a petition from a portion of the patrons of the Fort Pierce school asking that the noon hour of said school be lengthened to 60 minutes as formerly.

The superintendent explained to the board that the action of the teachers in reducing the noon period to 45 minutes was taken in order to reduce as much as possible the risk to the children caused by the danger which surrounded the small and unenclosed school premises on all its sides. This was tasking the supervision of the teacher in charge too much when all had returned and as the change would cut off at least 75 per cent of the risks he had approved of the measure which had worked very satisfactorily to that end. This he considered justified the action of those directly responsible for the safety of the children and should be endorsed by the board.

On motion of Mr. Hardesty, seconded by Mr. Edwards, it was resolved that the noon hour of 60 minutes be restored in the Fort Pierce school until the next meeting of the board to give opportunity to any opposition to crystallize.

Resolved further, That unless a majority of the patrons shall protest against this action, the noon hour shall continue to be sixty minutes. Carried.

The following warrants were authorized and drawn.

Josephine Stinson tchr	\$ 50 00
Mrs M E Jordan "	45 00
Mrs Edith Hunter "	90 00
S Davenport "	55 00
Elma Geiger "	50 00
Edith Hunter "	50 00
Sos Hunter "	50 00
Mrs L B Brown "	45 00
Dorena Hudson Janitor	8 00
J A Rogers trans pupils	31 25
T D Summerlin trans pupils	25 00
J W Hodge tchr	60 00
L W Cambric tchr	35 00

Sophie Hair asst tchr	14 00
J S Kirton principal	85 00
Annie Groves asst	50 00
Mrs Tantie Huckabee tchr	45 00
Grace McMeekin "	35 00
B F James "	45 00
Emma Helseth "	35 00
Susan T Gladwin principal	60 00
Edna Dudley asst tchr	45 00
Ruth Foster "	45 00
L W Cambric "	17 50
Lawton F Geiger "	45 00
Annie Peters "	45 00
H & W B Drew inv copy books	9 76
S Kitching stovepipe	80
Irene DeStuben janitor Jensen	

three mos	12 00
P P Cobb supplies no 8	6 25
" " " no 13	1 80
" " 2 chrs Eldred school	1 50
T D Summerlin trans pupils	12 00
H B Paxton rearranging desks	6 00
Ft Pierce Livery wood	5 00
Tribune Printing Co, bub fin statement Dec	2 00
Fort Pierce News pub fin statement Nov	2 00
H Fairbanks agent, ins 3 years on Eden school	9 00
R E Mims repr school wagon	1 75
E C L & S Co lime no 8	1 73
Bank of Fort Pierce int on warnts	41 49
J H Wynn treas com	33 10
B F Hardesty per dm and mige	9 40
W D Edwards "	7 80
R R Gladwin "	4 00
W J Nesbitt supt salary	50 00
" " copying minutes	2 09
Total	\$ 1363 13

FINANCIAL STATEMENT	
Balance in Treasury as per last statement	\$ 460 84
Received during the month, per treasurer's report	1215 39
Warrants outstanding	9021 67
Warrants outstanding as per last report	\$848 92
Total warrants drawn this month	1363 13
Balance in hands of treasurer this date	685 49

W. J. NESBITT, Supt. R. R. GLADWIN, Chairman.

### Let's Send Jeems.

James E. Alexander of DeLand, doesn't want office. Sounds funny, but its fact. He does, however, desire to go to the national democratic convention as one of the delegates from Florida. As Jeems is an (if not the) original Bryan man, and as Florida is undoubtedly for the Nebraskan, the News moves, dear people, that James E. be given his wish. What say you?—Palatka News.

We say, yes, send Hon. Jeems to Denver to represent part of us.

### Show Postponed.

The show announced last week to be given by the baseball club has been postponed for a week and in the meantime much work will be put in on the program, which will be a variety of good numbers. Look out for it, for it will be a hummer.

### The King Company.

The King Dramatic Stock Company, under the leadership of Chas. King, as announced last week played last night (Thursday) in the Improvement Club hall to a good audience. The bill was "A Circus Girl," which is full of fun and pathos, and was well received by the audience. The specialties between acts were mirth provoking in the extreme.

This popular company are here for three nights and will play tonight and tomorrow night. Mr. King and his company have won a place in the hearts of the theater-goers of Fort Pierce and will always receive a hearty welcome here.

Seats are on sale at the Fort Pierce Drug Company's store.

### Trial of Wm. M. Brown.

The United States District and Circuit Court in and for the Southern district of Florida is now in session in Miami, Judge James W. Locke, presiding. The case of Wm. M. Brown, late president of the Fort Dallas National Bank, was the first one called, and a jury was secured Monday, ten of whom are from Key West and two from Dade county. Tuesday the taking of the testimony was begun. It is expected that there

## Fort Pierce People Will Give a Handsome Prize

### To the Driver of the Leading Car at This Point in the Automobile Run.

will be a long siege as there are forty-two counts in the indictment. This case will be followed closely all over the country and has attracted considerable attention.

The defendant is represented by Attorneys Geo. M. Robbins, Geo. A. Worley, Alex St. Clair Abrams and H. F. Alkinson, while the government has as its representatives John M. Chensy and Richard P. Marks, both of Jacksonville.

## FLORIDA STATE FAIR NOTES

### Opens on Wednesday, February 5th, 1908.

Wednesday, February 5, less than four weeks from date, marks the opening of the great Florida State Fair at Tampa, and from that day until the fair gates close at the midnight hour of February 22, thousands of tourists, home-seekers and visitors will be entertained as never before at any state fair in the country. Floridians themselves have been greatly surprised at the magnitude of fairs held in Tampa in former years, but in absolutely no feature will those fairs compare with that of February, by reason of which every Floridian should attend. Absolutely every visitor will be well taken care of at small expense, and were the fair to open today instead of a month hence, so thorough has been the work of employees of the Bureau of Information, who will direct visitors to proper homes, thousands could be cared for at a moment's notice. Tampa has prepared for this important feature as has no other city in which a fair or exposition has been held.

From the opening day to the close of the fair will present an unprecedented series of entertaining features, including many important conventions, principal among which is the great immigration convention, called by Governor Broward for February 12, and attractive features. More than a score of famous Americans and officials of other countries, including the ambassadors from Germany, Spain and Italy, will visit the city at this time, sending reports to their governments on conditions in Florida, which alone should cause every county in the State to be represented by magnificent exhibits and large attendance. Illustrating the magnitude of the fair, which occurs during the height of the tourist season, when more than 100,000 tourists are in the State, premiums offered on products exhibited amount to more than \$20,000, the Fair Association having added several thousand dollars to the State appropriation; purses offered for horse races in which 600 thoroughbred runners, including 350 from the big New Orleans tracks, amount to \$20,000, with several thousand to be added by private subscription, with the great hippodrome and circus, the acts of which have been secured in Europe and America, will be put in at a minimum cost of \$30,000, making it the finest attraction of the kind ever produced at a State Fair.

In every department of exhibition the products displayed will be greater in volume, variety and excellence than has been shown in former years, absolutely every department being complete. It is hoped that every Floridian who can do so will take advantage of the low rates offered by the railroads and attend this, the best State fair ever held in the country.

### Changing Some.

We're almost afraid to write any thing about politics, for fear conditions will change before we get it in type.—Wauchula Telegram.

The Fort Pierce prize in the automobile endurance run from Jacksonville to Miami in February is assured. In last week's News we started the list by putting ourselves down for five dollars toward a fund of fifty dollars to furnish a prize to the driver of the car that should make the quickest time from Jacksonville to Fort Pierce. The race is to be run in February (the exact date not yet named) and will be under the auspices of the Florida East Coast Automobile Association. There will be five division or points of control, where all cars will stop for the night and be checked. These points are Ormond, Rockledge, Fort Pierce, West Palm Beach and Miami. Fort Pierce being the third night out from Jacksonville, gives them two hundred and forty-two mile of running, a sufficient distance for a good test. By offering a prize at this point of control we figure that Fort Pierce will get more than the value of the prize in advertising.

Our offer appeared in our last issue and hardly had it been circulated good before we received the following endorsement and addition to our list:

Editor News:—Your suggestion, that a prize of \$50.00 be offered for the first automobile to reach Fort Pierce in the coming contest, is admirable, and there is no doubt that there will be a ready response to the call for the amount. Please put us down for \$5.00. Check for that amount is subject to your demand. Very respectfully yours, Florida Photographic Concern.

H. E. Hill, Prop.

Following this came others who thought it a good plan and so stated. Thus the list grows:

Editor News:—We think your proposed prize for the first man arriving in Fort Pierce on the Endurance Run Jacksonville to Miami, a good idea and you may count on us as one of the ten subscribing \$5.00 for the fund.

Very truly, Fee & Stewart Co.

Editor News:—I endorse your idea of of Fort Pierce giving a prize to the first driver to reach this point in the long distance automobile race from Jacksonville to Miami in February. Put me down for \$5.00 for the prize fund.

A. B. Lowry.

Others who have signified their willingness to join in the list and endorsed the plan will be found below and others will doubtless follow. Any one who approves of the plan and wishes to subscribe to the fund any amount from twenty-five cents to five dollars may do so and a note the editor or The News will get you in on it. We will see that you are represented and let you know when the money is needed.

This is the list as it now stands:  
Fort Pierce News.....\$5 00  
Florida Photographic Concern.....5 00  
Fee & Stewart Co.....5 00  
A. B. Lowry.....5 00  
P. P. Cobb.....5 00  
D. T. McCarty.....5 00  
Let us add your name to the above next week.

### A New Original Joke.

A northern man writes to an acquaintance here that he is going to Rockledge to fish because he had heard that fishing is better there than at Fort Pierce.

Wow! What a funny one! But come to think of it, there was a man last winter who claimed to have caught a fish at that point, but no one took it seriously; and the report didn't cause enough enthusiasm for investigation. It is possibly true and another one may be caught this year, but for good, all-the-year-round fishing that is fishing, the kind that anglers like, come to Fort Pierce where the fish bite.